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## Intimations.

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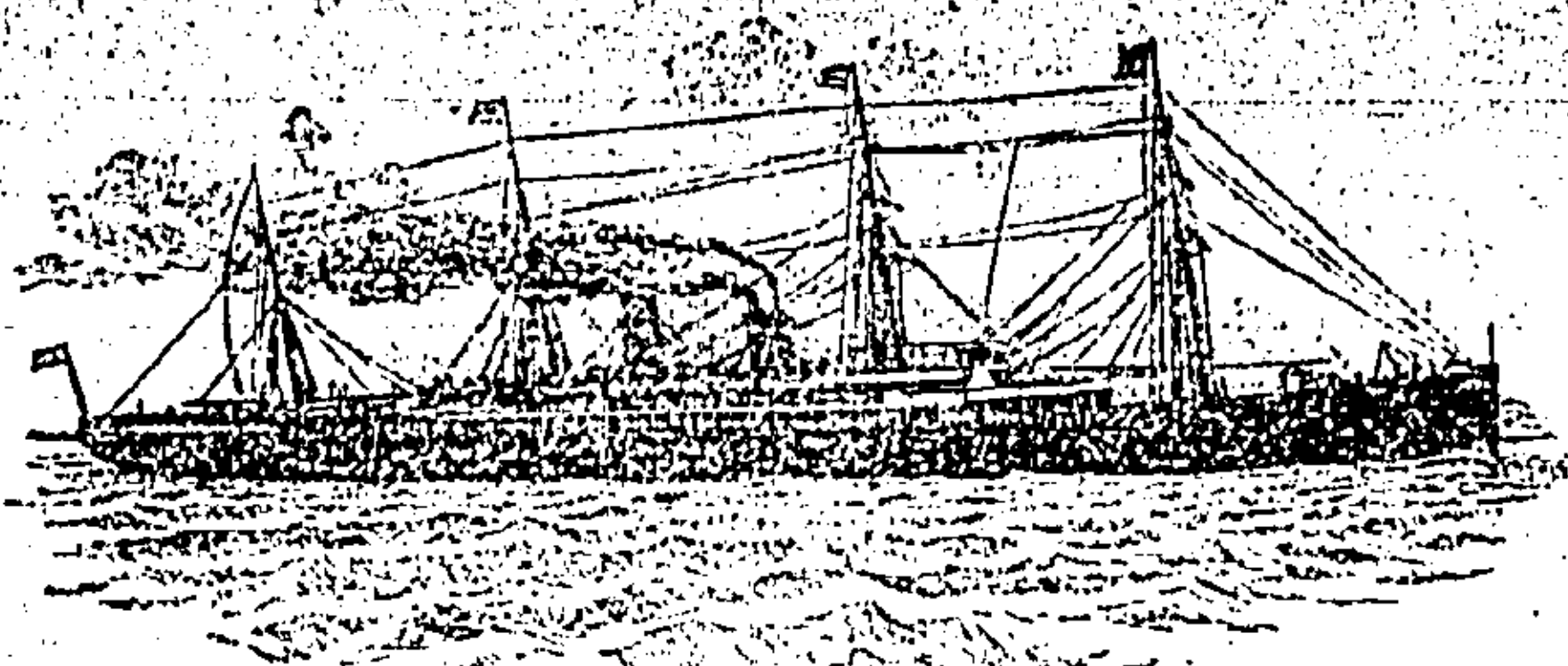
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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO,  
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## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

"PERU"	THURSDAY, 20th November, at Noon.
"COPTIC"	FRIDAY, 28th November, at Noon.
"AMERICA MARU"	SATURDAY, 6th December, at Noon.
"KORBA"	SATURDAY, 13th December, at Noon.
"GALIC"	TUESDAY, 23rd December, at Noon.
"HONGKONG MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 31st December, at Noon.
"CHINA"	THURSDAY, 8th January, 1903, at Noon.
"DORIC"	SATURDAY, 17th January, 1903, at Noon.
"NIPPON MARU"	SATURDAY, 24th January, 1903, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 12,000 tons, Oct. 18th-28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

THE P. M. Company's Steamship "PERU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 20th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of the Overland Rail Routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding Orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between SAN FRANCISCO and CHICAGO, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Special rates (First-class only) to European Ports, are granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Consular Services, and European Civil Service Officials located in Asia, and to European Officials in the Service of the Governments of China and Japan.

TO UNITED STATES AND CANADIAN PORTS, Special rates (first class only) are granted and will apply only to Missionaries, Members of the Naval and Military Services, and to Consular and Diplomatic Officials of the Governments of China and Japan.

Return Passage.—Reduction will be made to passengers who do not hold return tickets, making the return journey between ports in the Orient and Honolulu or beyond, within twelve months.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

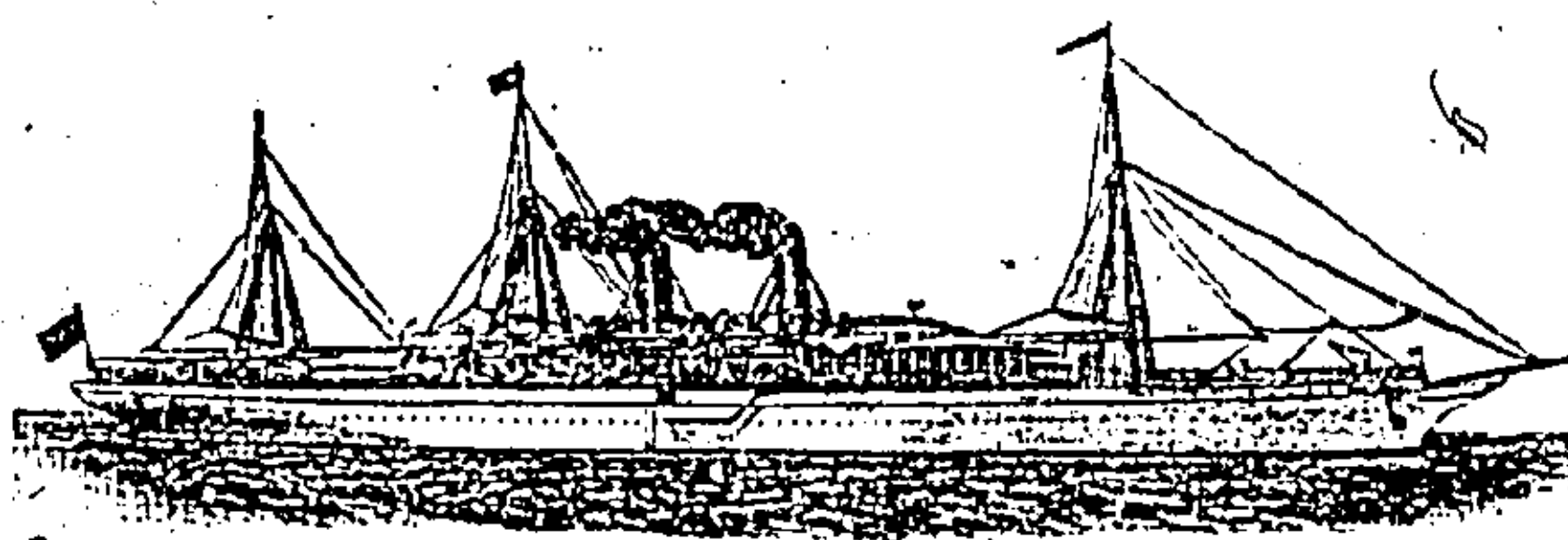
Consular Invoices to accompany each shipment of Cargo or parcel (valued at \$100. Gold or over) destined to Ports, beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Companies' Office addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

Merchant's Invoice will be sufficient for cargo or parcel (each shipment) when the value is less than \$100. U.S. Gold.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Companies, Queen's Building.

E. W. TILDEN, Agent.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1902.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S  
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SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.  
THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA  
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(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.)  
Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 Knots.

## PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

R.M.S. EMPRESS OF INDIA	Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 19th Nov.
"TARTAR"	Comdr. E. Beetham, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 3rd Dec.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"	Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 17th Dec.
"ATHENIAN"	Comdr. H. Mowatt, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 31st Dec.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"	Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 14th Jan.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers are Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 22nd October, 1902.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.  
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
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(Taking Cargo at through Rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LISBON, OPORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIESTE, GENOA, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS; NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES	
SERBIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	19th Nov.	Freight.
Bremer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
MARBURG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	3rd Dec.	Freight.
Niedermeyer	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
SUEVIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	17th Dec.	Freight.
Borch	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		
ALESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	31st Dec.	Freight.
Schnefeldt	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		
NUERNBERG	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	13th Jan.	Freight.
Jaburg	(Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	27th Jan.	Freight.
SILESIA	HAVRE and HAMBURG.	1903	Freight.
Bahle	(Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).		

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.  
HONGKONG OFFICE.  
No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 5th November, 1902.

## Intimations.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the ADJOURNED ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company which was Adjourned, from the 18th August last will be held at the CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, the 18th November, at 11.15 o'clock A.M., when the Poll ordered at the Meeting of the 8th August will be taken. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 9 o'clock A.M. on MONDAY, the 17th to 1 o'clock P.M. on TUESDAY, the 18th November, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
GEO. A. CALDWELL,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1902. [1164d]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, Victoria, Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 25th instant, at TWELVE O'CLOCK, NOON, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors and Statements of Accounts to the 31st April last, and of declaring Dividends. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. H. RAY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1902. [1165d]

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER BOAT CO., LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 20, Des Vaux Road, on TUESDAY, the 25th day of November, at Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report and Statement of Accounts to the 30th of September, 1902.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th to the 25th November, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
J. W. KEW,  
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1902. [1218d]

## ST. GEORGE'S BALL.

A MEETING of the SUBSCRIBERS to the ST. GEORGE'S BALL will be held by kind permission, at the CITY HALL, on TUESDAY, 25th November, 1902, at 4.15 P.M.

His Honour the Chief Justice, Sir WILLIAM MEIGH GOODMAN, will preside. Up to the present there are 136 Subscribers.

Further intending Subscribers are requested to sign lists now in circulation or to notify the Undersigned as early as possible.

E. W. MITCHELL,  
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1902. [1213d]

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 13, Becclesfield Arcade, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of November, 1902, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the Subjoined Special Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 11th day of November, 1902, will be submitted for confirmation:—

1. That the Capital of the Company be increased by the creation and issue of 60,000 New Ordinary Shares of \$1 each, with the sum of \$10 paid up on each, and that the Directors be empowered and authorised to accept surrenders of the present 60,000 Ordinary Shares of the Company of \$10 each on which the sum of \$10 each has been paid up, and that one New Share of \$11, with the sum of \$10 paid up thereon, be given in lieu of and in exchange for each old share of \$10 fully paid up, and that thereupon the said old shares be cancelled.
2. That the remaining \$1 payable in respect of each of the New Shares, the sum of 50 cents be paid on the surrender of the old share, and that the remainder be called up (if necessary) and paid at such times and in such instalments as the Board may determine.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
W. KERFOOT HUGHES,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1902. [1199d]

## Consignees.

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"MARQUIS BACQUEHEM"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 19th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th instant will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1902. [1071d]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

## NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

"PERU."

The above Steamship having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

E. W. TILDEN,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1902. [1117d]

## Consignees.

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.  
NORDDEUTSCHER HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"KIAUTSCHOU"

of the HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 6 P.M., TO-NIGHT.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 19th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on THURSDAY, the 20th instant, at 9.30 A.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 23rd instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.  
MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th November, 1902. [653c]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"TIROL"

having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This Vessel brings Cargo:—  
From Trieste, ex S.S. Imperator, transhipped at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here, unless notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before Noon, on the 19th instant, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 19th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SANDER, WIELER & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1902. [1160f]

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"MALACCA"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here, unless instructions are given to the contrary before 4 P.M., TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 20th instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representatives at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1902. [4]

## "MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "MOGUL,"

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th instant, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th instant, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant, at 9 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 13th November, 1902. [1124d]

FROM HAMBURG, BREMEN, ROTTERDAM, ANTWERP, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SUEVIA"

Captain Borch, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before Noon, TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th instant will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th instant, at 9 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1902. [1117d]

## Hotels.

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For Terms, apply to THE MANAGER.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1902. [1339c]

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## Intimations.

INCANDESCENT GAS LIGHT.

The attention of consumers is drawn to the fact that the Undersigned, being Sole Agents for

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Hongkong, 3rd October, 1902. [1214c]

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## TIENTSIN DAY BY DAY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

TIENTSIN, October 31st.

Sung Po-lu, the ex-censor, who has been for some months under the guardianship of the Governor of Shensi merely because he was the avowed friend of Kang Yu Wei at the time of the *Cou d'Etat*, is now charged in a secret memorial from the Governor with being guilty of many illegal acts in days gone by. His accusers have been put to it to frame any recognizable charge so far, first because the man has done nothing; secondly because he has many friends and supporters, and both missionaries and ministers are watching his case. The Governor evidently thinks he has hit upon a convenient crime now, however, and demands the right to imprison him for life. The E. D. will probably hesitate to do this openly, but there is no saying what instructions may be sent to the Governor privately. One of the recent charges against Sung is that, knowing himself to be in ill-favour at Court, he dared to return to his native place in Shensi as an official and with due ceremony, and that he is now, although under "observation" freely visiting and receiving visits from friends. As Sir Ernest Satow is going home on leave it is probable that the case will be forgotten.

## PRINCE TUAN.

Concerning Prince Tuan or Tsai Yi gossip has again been active. He is said to have come entirely under Russian influence, and his followers have been supplied with arms and even uniforms by the Chinese. He has learnt the language and "some Russian habits" which may presumably be translated "Vodka." He is supposed to have heard what people are saying about him, and makes an official contradiction of his intentions being rebellious.

Mr. Kinder's staff are once more in possession of the line beyond the wall and railway affairs appear to be settling down to their normal condition. Latest advices from Newchwang (two days ago) report no signs of Russian withdrawal and a general feeling of indignation prevails at Dr. Morrison's recent telegrams. Some people think the *Times* must have misunderstood his messages or that he, really intended his comments satirically.

## THE NATIVE CUSTOMS.

Just before his departure on leave Yuan memorialised the Throne that he had made all arrangements for the *Chang Kwan* or native Customs generally to be collected by the Commissioner of Customs in accordance with the Protocol, and that a special official would be appointed by the Customs Taotai to assist the Commissioner. The Commissioner before engaging or dismissing any member of the staff will first consult the Customs Taotai. The employment of foreigners will only be needed in Treaty ports; but no foreigners are to be employed at the barriers, nor in the interior in case trouble may ensue. Moreover, should the Customs Taotai find any foreigner in the native Customs unfit for his position, he will consult with the Commissioner to procure a better man. The revenue collected from the native Customs will be handed to the Taotai and go towards the payment of the indemnity, 10% being deducted by the Commissioner for working expenses, and 10% for the upkeep of the Taotai's Yamen, Bureau of Foreign Affairs, etc.

These native Customs are in three divisions in Tientsin; the *Chang Kwan* or Customs on ocean-borne produce, the *Hukwan* the duty collected on all kind of merchandise, and the *Haitwan* or duty on cereals and other sundries.

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imported. In addition to these there is *likin*, a mysterious element in the composition of tax collection which is known as *C. angai*. Both of these last are a complete mystery to most foreigners and to Chinese stand, I believe, synonymous for any "squeeze" which can be imposed on any man's goods without a rumpus.

The special office for *likin* business was reopened yesterday in the same place and manner as obtained prior to the Siege. When the native Customs was arranged to be collected by the C.I.M. no mention was made of *likin*, but the spirit of the negotiations suggested that *likin* within the radius of collection (so it) would be non-existent. But it is here and will remain. Sir James Mackay fondly imagines that he has solved the riddle of *likin* abolition and laid the ghost of extortion. It is to be hoped that he and his many admirers and applauders are right. What would they say I wonder could they know how the Chinese laugh at the confidence of the abolition party! Cannot they see anything suspicious in the very avidity with which China has agreed to the abolition of a treasured custom!

## FLEETS IN FAR EAST.

## INTERESTING COMPARISON.

The exact strength of the proposed addition to the Japanese Navy is put at about 100,000 tons, or more precisely at 85,000 tons, according to the *Kokumin*. It states that tonnage consists of 3 battleships of 15,000 tons each, 3 1st class cruisers of 10,000 tons each, and 2 2nd class cruisers of 5,000 tons each. This scheme is to be carried into effect for ten years beginning with the 1903-4 fiscal year, and with the yearly appropriation of about 114 million yen to be pre-empted by continuing the existing rate of land tax instead of restoring it in the said financial year to the original rate. As the continuation is to commence, therefore, from the 1904-5 fiscal year, that is a year later than that in which the naval programme is to come in force, the appropriation for the first year of its execution is to be procured from some other source other than the land tax. This point is not precisely known to us, some papers stating that the authorities are prepared to meet the required sum with an appropriation either from the ordinary revenues or out of some other sources. As to the yearly appropriation of 114 million yen on account of the Fleet Maintenance, that is to begin from the 1904-5 fiscal year, and is therefore apparently unavailable for the first year of the expansion scheme. Another point worth mentioning is that the authorities are determined to build cruisers at home, as the Kure Naval Yard will have its arrangement completed in time.

We may reproduce here in passing what the *Kokumin* writes on the existing comparative strength of Powers' fleets, which stand as follows, the tonnage of only those warships that are less than 20 years old being included:—

Tons.	
709,900	England
281,524	Russia
226,626	France
143,877	Japan
143,860	United States
139,568	Germany
124,953	Italy

Japan which stands fourth in the list will, however, be brought down to a much lower place at the end of 1903, as expansion programmes of the other Powers will have been completed by that time. In other words, the strength of England will advance to over 970,000 tons, that of France to 480,000, followed by 300,000 tons each of Russia and of United States and 200,000 tons of Italy. The consequence is even when Japan has to add her fleet by 85,000 tons by 1914 she will have to occupy a low place in the list ten years hence.—*China Gazette*.

COTTAM &amp; CO., FOR WASHING ROW TIES.

## THE INTERNATIONAL COMBINE.

## ENGLAND WAKING UP.

In connection with the Cunard agreement the subsidy of £150,000 per annum is a record sum for the Government to pay to any one steamship line, and is considerably in excess of the whole sum previously paid to all the merchant lines for the vessels subsidized.

Previous subsidies were:—

COMPANY.	VESSELS.	SUBSIDY.
Cunard Co.	7	£28,000
White Star Line	8	28,000
P. & O. Line	12	18,000
Orient Co.	5	9,000
Royal Mail Steam Packet Co.	4	6,500
Pacific Co.	8	4,500
Canadian Pacific Railway Co.	5	9,750

The total annual subsidy paid by the Government being £103,750.

In Germany the fact that the Cunard Line required a subsidy is regarded as testimony of the poverty of the British merchant fleet. The *Deutsche Tageszeitung* praises the British Government, which has been able to bind over the Trust to the discharge of valuable obligations towards England, and compares its action with that of the German Government, which was satisfied with Herr Ballin's promises, and took no active part in the formation of the agreement with the Morgan Combine. The feeling in America is that the Morgan Trust will now meet with effective opposition from Britain.

## MANCHESTER A TERMINAL PORT.

The *Manchester Guardian* makes the important announcement that Manchester has been definitely chosen by the International Mercantile Marine Company as one of the terminal ports in Great Britain for its Atlantic steamship service. Arrangements have already been completed for a regular and direct service of first-class British steamers between Boston and Manchester next January.

A further development of the Atlantic traffic will be the establishment by the new syndicate at the beginning of December of a regular service between Boston and Antwerp, calling at a French port, probably Dunkirk or Havre.

## CAPITAL, £24,000,000.

The capital of the International Combine is \$70,000,000 (£24,000,000). The company is incorporated and registered at Trenton, New Jersey. The capital is to be preference stock, with 6 per cent. cumulative dividend. The company is also authorized to issue 44 per cent. bonds to the amount of 75,000,000 dollars (£15,000,000).

Of the directors five are British—namely, Sir Clinton E. Dawkins, and Messrs. J. Bruce Ismay, W. J. Pirrie, C. F. Torrey, and H. Wilding. Sir Clinton Dawkins is a member of the firm of J. S. Morgan and Co., and was previously in the Civil Service, where he served in Egypt and India, and Mr. Bruce Ismay is the head of the White Star Line. The president is Mr. Clemente Griscom, and the other directors are Messrs. C. A. Griscom, P. A. B. Widener, B. W. Baker, John J. Waterbury, George W. Perkins, E. Berwind, James V. Hyde, Charles Steele, W. J. Pirrie, J. Bruce Ismay, Sir Clinton E. Dawkins, Henry Wilding, and Charles F. Torrey. The executive and finance committees consist of Messrs. C. A. Griscom, P. A. B. Widener, George W. Perkins, Edward B. Wind, and Charles Steele. Mr. Pierpont Morgan is, it will be observed, not included in the directorate of the company.

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The men who do as they say; the things that prove to be what they were said to be,—how cheering it is to come upon them. We all hate to be deceived; especially when the deception is intentional. But all men are not liars, even if they did say so in his haste. If they were society would be impossible. Everybody knows that business is based on credit, on faith. Millions are bought daily on nothing more solid than the pledged promises of men,—not written, merely verbal. The Stock Exchanges are often called nests of gamblers, yet nowhere is a promise held in greater honour. Therefore when we say that the tried and effective modern remedy called "Wampol's Preparation" never deceives any who resort to it in hope of benefit and cure, we may expect to be believed. For this assurance is given on what it has done in the past in countless cases, on its record. It is only recommended to accomplish what it was made to accomplish. Its action in Chlorosis, Anemia, La Grippe, General Debility, Throat and Lung Troubles, Blood Impurities, etc. is convincing. It is palatable as honey and contains the nutritive and curative properties of Pure Cod Liver Oil, extracted by us from fresh cod livers, combined with the Compound Syrup of Hypophosphites and the Extracts of Malt and Wild Cherry. Dr. Austin D. Irvine, of Canada, says: "I have used it in cases where cod liver oil was indicated but could not be taken by the patient, and the results following were very gratifying." It is effective from sensitive and nervous stomachs. It cannot deceive or disappoint you, and comes to the rescue of those who have received no benefit from any other treatment. It stands for the medical triumphs of the age. Sold by all chemists here.

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KASUGA MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE	THURSDAY, 27th Nov., at 4 P.M.
KUMANO MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 28th Nov., at Noon
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IYO MARU	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 2nd Dec., at 4 P.M.
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BINGO MARU	KOBE and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 5th Dec., at Daylight

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A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th November, 1902.

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Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 16th instant. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office.) Contents and Value of Packages are required.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1902. (1001c)

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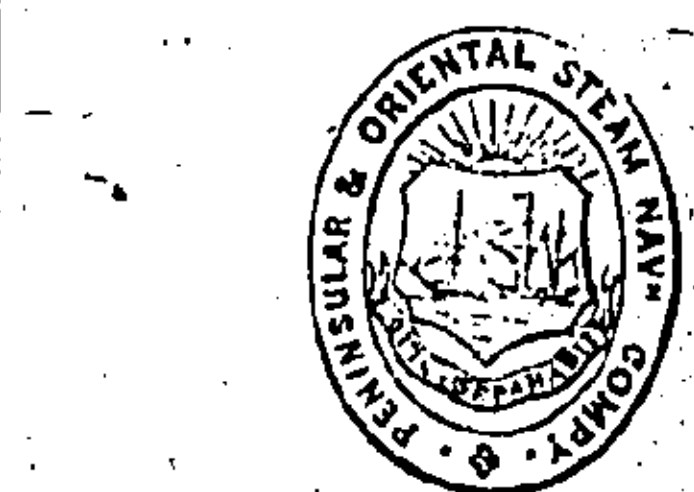
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Hongkong, 11th November, 1902. (14)

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SIEMSEN & Co., Hongkong, 28th May, 1901. (13)

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## ROTHEN MARK LODGE.

No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREE-MASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th instant, at 5 for 5.30 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 12th November, 1901. (1206d)

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## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1902.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TRUCK LICENCES have been raised from  
\$2 to \$10.

SIR HENRY BLAKE visited the scene of the  
fatal collapse in Wing Lok Street on Thursday.

A HARVEST THANKSGIVING SERVICE  
will take place in St. John's Cathedral to-morrow.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.—  
Regulations for this Corps are published in the  
Government Gazette.

A TORPEDO-DESTROYER was launched  
from the Yokohama Naval Yard on the 30th  
ult. Her capacity is 381 tons, and her speed  
will be 28 knots.

HOME OF MILLIONAIRES.—There are  
3,546 millionaires in the United States. It  
should, however, be remembered that a million  
dollars are equal only to £200,000.

MATRIMONIAL AGENCIES RAIDED.—  
The Chicago police have raided five mat-  
rimonial agencies. As many as quarter of a  
million love letters were found.

TIN DUTY EXTRAORDINARY.—The Tin  
duty collected in Perak during the first nine  
months of the year amounted to \$3,289,343.75,  
being \$1,155,350 in excess of that estimated.

THE EARTH'S CAPACITY.—The limit of  
this earth's capacity is 5,294,000,000 human  
beings. The world could feed no more. At  
the present rate, this limit will be reached by  
A.D. 2100.

PING PONG.—As an indication of the  
popularity of ping-pong in England, the  
Huddersfield magistrates a few weeks ago  
granted ping-pong licenses to nine publicans  
in that town.

BREAKERS AHEAD! Lord Hugh Cecil,  
speaking at Dundee on the 11th ult., said that  
the difficulties in South Africa are not at an  
end. If things are not wisely handled, they  
may lead to a recrudescence of the war.

THE FORTHCOMING REGATTA.—  
There is a persistent rumour about town  
that in the forthcoming Hongkong Regatta a  
team has been arranged for the purpose of  
trying for the sculling championship of the  
East.

THE WORLD'S FAIR.—The work of pre-  
paring an extensive exhibit for the World's  
Fair is proceeding energetically in Siam. It  
has the support of the King of Siam, and the  
exhibit will give a comprehensive view of the  
resources of the country and its progress in  
commerce, arts, and civilization. The exhibit  
will be temporarily installed at Bangkok before  
shipment to St. Louis.

UNIQUE UNIFORMS.—King Alfonso  
wore no fewer than fifty different uniforms  
during the Accession festivities, and His  
Majesty distributed his orders among all the  
leading tailors of Madrid. Several of the  
uniforms worn by the young Sovereign were  
wonderfully picturesque and beautiful, and  
were closely copied from mediaeval garments  
which have been carefully kept in the Escorial.

JANET WALDORF COMPANY.—H. E.  
Sir H. A. Blake, G.C.M.G., and Lady Blake  
have signified their intention of being present  
at the opening performance of *A Royal Divorce*,  
by Miss Janet Waldorf and her company at  
the Theatre Royal on Monday evening, 17th  
instant. The booking has been excellent and  
the season will be inaugurated under the most  
favourable circumstances. The immensely  
popular farcical comedy *The Lady of Orend*  
will be the second production. The performance  
will begin early each evening at 9.

BUDDHISM IN SIAM.—One has not heard  
of anything disturbing the ordinary calm of  
Buddhism in Siam, but there is at present a  
distinct Buddhist revival in Japan, one result  
of which is an expedition to search for Buddhism  
remains in Central Asia, India and China.  
Burma also is the scene of a curious revival  
which, however, hardly seems to have touched  
the Buddhists themselves at all. Some half  
dozen Europeans are now living as monks in  
the Buddhist monasteries of Burma, and are  
said to be engaged in a propaganda of that  
faith.

PROPOSED ARCTIC SANITORIUM.—  
Commander Peary, the explorer, says that  
during his recent visit to the Polar regions he  
noted the effect which the lasting cold had on  
several members of his party who were slightly  
consumptive, and his investigations made him  
a firm believer in the health-giving properties  
of the Arctic air. The commander's idea is  
already attracting attention in the medical pro-  
fession, and some discussion is taking place  
among financiers as to the advisability of  
furnishing funds for the construction of the  
first Polar sanatorium.

ASK FOR ASAHI JAPANESE BEER—  
G. Girault.

WASTE FOOD at a daily cost averages  
100 lbs. daily. Tenders are invited for its  
purchase.

PHILIPPINE TROOPS.—The troops in the  
Philippine islands are now better stationed  
and could be readily mobilized in case of  
difficulties in the Philippines or China, says a  
special cable to the *Manila Times*.

THE ST. LOUIS FAIR.—The sum of  
\$250,000 has been appropriated for the Phil-  
ippine exhibit at the St. Louis World's Fair. A  
preliminary exposition will be held at Manila in  
the autumn of 1904, after which a permanent  
museum will be established.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.—A wire to  
Manila papers from New York states:—  
General Greeley in his annual report says  
wireless telegraphy in the Philippines is in-  
evitable until experiments have become more  
definite and the system cheaper.

THE U. S. NAVY.—The United States Naval  
Board, of which Admiral Dewey is president,  
has decided to redistribute the ships of the fleet  
so that there shall be one squadron on the  
Atlantic station. Congress will be asked to  
authorize the creation of a vice-admiral for each  
squadron.

JOURNALIST'S SUICIDE.—A *Manila*  
*Times* special cable from New York, dated  
8th inst., states:—Charles O. Ziegenfuss, one  
of the owners of the *Manila American*, com-  
mitted suicide last night at San Francisco. He  
had just returned from Manila, where he  
contracted chronic dysentery.

COLOMBIA'S BIG DEMAND.—Columbia  
demands \$10,000,000 as the price of her canal  
concession to the United States. She had  
previously demanded \$7,000,000, but the min-  
isters, nevertheless, vetoed the measure. There  
is a cessation of negotiations, but the United  
States is confident that they will be expedited.

CAPTAIN A. F. PILLSBURY of the Pacific  
Mail Company, who will command the *City of*  
*Peking* on the voyage home, has been ap-  
pointed marine surveyor for the U.S. National  
Underwriters' Association, recently organized.  
Upon arrival at San Francisco Captain Pills-  
bury will therefore leave the service of the P.  
M. Company, in which he has been from  
boyhood.

WARREN'S CIRCUS.—Last night, before a  
crowded house, a complete change of pro-  
gramme was presented to the audience. The  
various turns were vastly enjoyed and especial-  
ly the antics of the clever dogs under the  
supervision of Mlle. Rose. The clowns were  
equally good, and kept the house in a state  
of continual good humour. Harrigan, the  
tramp cyclist, held the house for fully twenty  
minutes with his interesting exhibition.

BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.—Last night  
at the King Edward Hotel, before a large  
gathering, the final tie of a billiard tour-  
nament was played off between Mr. Richard-  
son and Mr. C. T. Kew. Some very good play  
was witnessed on both sides, and the gen-  
tlemen in question were loudly cheered. After  
a very exciting game, the laurels finally fell to  
Mr. Richardson, who managed to defeat his  
opponent by twenty-points in the game of 250  
up. Mr. Kew conceded 60 points to Mr.  
Richardson. As usual, Mr. Farmer, the genial  
manager, very ably looked after the wants of  
his guests.

UNION CHURCH LITERARY CLUB.—  
Last evening a large audience assembled to  
hear a lecture by the Rev. T. W. Pearce  
(L.M.S.) on "English Ecclesiastical Eccentric-  
ities." After humorous defining the terms of  
his title, the lecturer proceeded to deal with  
Miracle plays, Reformation preachers (notably  
the "Controversialists"), the long-winded  
preachers (such as John Howe), the anti-  
Puritans (e.g. the Court preachers of Charles  
II), and concluded with a witty defense of  
humour in the pulpit. Mr. Hursthouse, the  
chairman, called for an expression of apprecia-  
tion, which was cordially given. The next  
meeting will be on Thursday, 27th inst., to  
debate "The Freedom of the Press."

LIBERAL HONGKONG.—Commenting on  
the recent increase of pay in the Police and  
sanitary departments the *Perak Pioneer* says  
Hongkong has behaved liberally in regard to  
her Police and Sanitary departments for the  
ensuing year, with a provision for their needs  
of the sums of \$650,000 and \$479,000 respectively.  
This may be fairly described as a healthy flip  
towards the efficiency of the public service.  
An example well worth following by other  
Governments out this way, on the economic  
principle that large credit balances lose their  
intrinsic merit when accumulated to the detri-  
ment of efficiency in the public service of a  
country. A house built on a rock will always  
weather the storm, whereas that erected on a  
sandy basis will inevitably be carried away.

GEISHA GIRLS as barbers is one of the  
latest moves in Manila. This is what the local  
*Times* has to say on the subject:—How would  
you like to enter a tonsorial parlor—mind, not  
a barber shop, but a tonsorial parlor—divest  
yourself of your white linen coat and then lay  
back in one of those delightful old chairs that  
has been the means of cutting the "ism" from  
"barber" and made it a Christian profession,  
while a dark and winsome geisha girl gently  
lathers your bewickered mug and shaves and  
souds it with all the care and tenderness with  
which your "mummy" applied the powder in  
your extreme infancy? Of course you would  
like that; it stands to reason that you would.  
You would say: "To the bow-ties with the  
currency question, I'm going down to be  
shaved!" and off you'd go about twice a day.  
All right then, that is understood.

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G. Girault.

LIEUT. A. ROWAN, R.N.M., the popular  
transport officer, is departing for India  
to-morrow by the *ss. Palawan*, which is the  
last troopship of the season.

MILITARY MOUNTS.—The War Office  
has decided to establish a number of farms for  
the purpose of breeding suitable mounts for  
military work. Two farms have been estab-  
lished in the Orange River Colony, under the  
superintendence of British officers, and if the  
experiment is successful the scheme will be  
developed.

CLYDE SHIPBUILDING.—  
During September the Clyde shipbuilders have  
launched two warships, nineteen steamers, and  
three sailing ships, aggregating upwards of  
54,000 tons. New orders placed amount to  
57,000 tons, including a battleship, two 10,000  
passenger steamers, two Clan liners, two tur-  
bine passenger steamers, two Clan liners, and eight  
large cargo boats.

SERIOUS ERRORS IN POLAR CHARTS.—  
A discovery has been made by a man of  
science which creates grave concern for the  
safety of the Antarctic Polar expeditions. It is  
affirmed there is not the least possibility of the  
expeditions reaching the Pole, as serious errors  
have been discovered in the charts. It is also  
said that what is known as the "Polarisation  
error" has been wrongly calculated, and may  
lead to serious disaster.

THE BLAKE PIER MASHED.—An occa-  
sional correspondent writes:—So the Govern-  
ment have at last awakened from their lethargy  
and have provided a mashed on Blake Pier for  
the public. But what is the use of the tem-  
porary mashed? Will it stand the typhoons;  
if not more public money will be wasted. I am  
shortly going to Europe for an eighteen  
months' tour. Will the Clock Tower, and  
permanent corrugated shed at Blake Pier be  
ready when I return?

BERI BERI IN MANILA has been a  
common topic of conversation. From a  
well informed source we learn that, pre-  
vious to the sailing of the steamer *Kubi*,  
three cases of beri beri were discovered on  
board that ship. The doctor of the vessel, on  
being notified refused to allow the beri ber-  
stricken passengers to ship, with the result that  
a very mixed-up controversy ensued, which pre-  
sumably ended satisfactorily to all parties con-  
cerned.

SHOCKING BABY FARMING CASE.—A  
most unusual case for Japan has just been  
disclosed at Hiroshima. A tobacco dealer  
named Matsumi Sampo, in concert with an-  
other man and two women, between April 1901  
and September last received seventeen infants  
for the care of which money was paid in sums  
ranging from ¥ 5 to ¥ 25 for each child. It now  
appears that every one of these unfortunate  
was strangled to death. The offenders were  
arrested, and on the 21st ult. were declared  
guilty of premeditated murder by the Prelim-  
inary Examination Judge in the Hiroshima  
Court.

TARIFF FREAKS.—The following amusing  
details of the freaks of the Custom House are  
told in the *Munchener Zeitung*. A German  
gentleman returning from South-west Africa  
brought with him a tiny monkey, weighing  
about 2lbs. From Tanga to Genoa the animal  
was conveyed gratis. Thence to the Swiss  
frontier fifteen pence was charged on it as "a  
bird." The St. Gothard railway officials, how-  
ever, viewed it as "a dog" and charged 75c,  
while on the Eastern Swiss Railway it became  
a mere "pig" and cost 8c. Through  
Pader and Wurttemberg the animal was passed  
free, but at Stuttgart it again became "a dog,"  
and cost another 17 pence.

A NEW FORM OF OATH.—At the  
Penning Police Court upon the calling of a case  
in which the prosecutor was a Hindu, the  
latter produced a glass a quarter filled with  
cow's milk, a garland of flowers and a sacred  
book called in Tamil *Istirumayazhayanant*.  
He suggested to the court, through the  
interpreter, that all the witnesses both for pro-  
secution and defence should, when giving  
evidence, adorn themselves with the garland  
of flowers round their necks, drink their milk  
and place the said sacred book on their heads.  
Mr. R. A. Law, who was for the defence,  
objected to this form of oath. The Magistrate  
upheld the objection and the case was heard  
on the ordinary oath.

## KOSHER MEAT FOR HONGKONG.

## A STRAITS FROZEN FOOD.

The Jewish fraternity in Hongkong have,  
up to the present, been severely handicapped  
in their meat supply, there being no local  
slaughterhouse for Kosher meat. The Frozen  
Food Supply Company has now devised a plan  
to meet the long felt want and a shipment of  
frozen Kosher meat has been ordered from  
Australia. It is expected by the *ss. Taiyuan*,  
the next vessel of the China Navigation Com-  
pany to arrive from southern latitudes. The  
meat has been killed by Jews and each piece  
bears the brand of a certified Jewish inspector.

## THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. C. Flit-  
ter, Acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-  
vatory:—

On the 15th at 11.15 a.m. The depression  
in the North has passed to the East of Japan.  
The barometer has risen over China, particularly  
on the E. coast, owing to the advance of an  
area of high pressure from the Northwest.  
Gradients are rather steep with heavy mon-  
soon spreading down the China coast and over  
the N. part of the China Sea.  
Forecast:—N.E. wind, freshening to strong  
breezes, drizzling rain and becoming cooler.

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## THE CANTON RIVER PIRACY.

## BRITISH AND CHINESE ACTIVITY.

CUR Canton correspondent informs us that  
Mr. Evans, who was shot by pirates in the  
Canton River near Tiger Island, on the  
night of Wednesday, is still lying un-  
conscious in the Canton Hospital. The  
doctors have extracted two bullets, and  
yesterday morning subjected the patient to  
the Röntgen Ray test, but were unable to locate  
other bullets. The knee cap of the left leg  
is so badly shattered that amputation will be  
necessary, but owing to the patient's weak  
condition this is impracticable at present. The  
doctors are dubious regarding his recovery.

Immediately on receipt of the news of the  
piracy the Chinese vice-admiral Le Boel  
proceeded in a torpedo boat to the vicinity  
of the outrage, and our correspondent  
learns that yesterday morning a gun-  
boat was despatched to the scene. It is  
proposed to take all the head-men of the  
villages around, and detain them until the cul-  
prits either surrender or are caught. The  
British Consul at Canton is making every in-  
quiry, and is adopting strong measures in the  
matter.

## ANOTHER PIRATICAL ATTACK.

A Chinese merchant who arrived at Hong-  
kong yesterday informed us that on the night  
of the 13th instant, while the passenger junk  
*Shun Lee*, on her way to Hongkong from  
Shun Tak district, was rounding some  
islands, five boats were observed coming  
towards the junk at a swift pace. The native  
skipper, at once divined the intentions of  
these boats and called the crew to quarters.  
Two old brass guns were hastily loaded,  
and promptly fired. They seem to have  
been very effective, for the freebooters  
were quickly alongside, and aboard the  
craft. A feeble struggle on the part of the  
crew ensued, but they were soon overcome.  
The robbers, about thirty in number, after  
gagging the crew and some of the passengers  
ransacked the cargo and baggage, and cleared  
away with something over 3,000 taels. As our  
informant states, "these robbers were not only  
content with what they took, but had the im-  
pudence to drink our wine, and make a  
good feast before they left."

ARRIVAL OF JAPANESE  
CORONATION WARSHIPS.

Early this morning the two Japanese war-  
ships from the recent Coronation festivities  
entered the harbour through the Lyonsm  
Pass and fired the usual salutes. They were  
the armoured cruiser *Asama*, carrying the flag  
Admiral Iijun, and the protected cruiser  
*Tokitsugu*. The vessels presented quite an  
imposing appearance, and attracted consid-  
erable attention. They have recently been visit-  
ing Siam, where an elaborate programme was  
drawn up to entertain the Admiral and his  
officers. After a few days stay here the vessels  
proceed to their own country. It will be in-  
teresting to recall the fact that these two  
vessels were present at the Spithead review in  
August last representing Japan, where they  
elicited general admiration. At the termina-  
tion of the review, Admiral Iijun was decorated  
with the order of Commander of the Bath.  
The following are the particulars of the two  
vessels:—  
*Asama*, first class armoured cruiser, 9,750  
tons, i.h.p. 19,000, armament, 4.8 in. Q.F.  
14.6 in. 12.12 pdr., 7.25 pdr., 5 torpedo tubes,  
one submerged, speed, 22.1 knots complement  
560 men. She was built at Elswick and  
launched in 1898. She is commanded by  
Captain Nakao.  
*Tokitsugu*, first class cruiser, unarmoured,  
4,160 tons, i.h.p. 5,500, armament, 2.8 in. Q.F.  
10.7 in., 12.12 pdr., 6.25 pdr., 5 torpedo tubes,  
speed, 23.0 knots. Complement, 300 men.  
She was also built at Elswick, and was launched  
in 1897. She is commanded by Captain  
Yoshimatsu.

INCREASE DEMAND FOR BANK  
NOTES.

## EXTENSION OF ISSUING POWER.

The Supplemental Charter authorising a tem-  
porary extension of the note-issuing power of  
the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and  
China, is published in the *Government Gazette*.  
From it we take the following clause:—  
And whereas the said Company have repre-  
sented unto us that there has recently come  
into existence a greatly increased demand for  
Bank Notes in Hongkong and have made  
application to us for such further Supple-  
mentary Charter as may be necessary to  
enable them for the purpose of meeting this  
increased demand to issue Notes to an  
amount in excess of the limit fixed by the  
existing Charter. Now know ye that we  
by these presents do will and ordain that not-  
withstanding the restriction imposed by Art.  
XV. of the said Supplemental Charter of the 17th  
day of December 1894 upon the total amount  
of "promissory notes" issuable by the said  
Company, promissory notes of the said Com-  
pany may during the period for which the  
said Company shall remain incorporated, be  
issued and be in actual circulation to an  
amount in excess of eight million dollars  
if there shall have been specially deposited and  
kept in the custody of the Colonial Secre-  
tary and the Colonial Treasurer of Hong-  
kong for the time being an amount of coin or  
bullion of coin and bullion equal to the whole  
value of such excess value of such issue for the  
time being actually in circulation to be held by  
the said Colonial Secretary and Colonial Treas-  
urer of Hongkong exclusively for the redemption  
of such promissory Notes whenever the same  
may have been issued, provided nevertheless  
and we hereby direct that this power of  
excess issue shall cease and determine on  
notice to that effect being given at any time by  
the Treasury to the said Company.

## THE WATER-METER QUESTION.

A meeting was held yesterday afternoon in  
the rooms of the Chinese Chamber of Com-  
merce, No. 30, and 32 Des Voeux Road, for the  
purpose of considering the water meter ques-  
tion. Mr. Fung, Wa Ching, the president,  
was in the chair and there were also present  
the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, Messrs. Ho Tung, Lau  
Chu Pak, Lo Koon Ting, Chan Lan Hing, Tam  
Chi Kung, Sin Tak Fan, Yeung Yau Kwai,  
Moon Yau Chuen, Li Yau Chuen, Chan Cheok  
Hin, Chun Pun Toh, Lee Sow Hin and others.

The chairman pointed out that sometime  
ago a petition was sent to the Secretary of  
State complaining of the inconvenience the  
Chinese would suffer if the meter and water  
question affecting Chinese tenement houses  
were not rectified, and asking, in the event  
of the work being undertaken whether the  
Chinese householders would be willing to defray  
the expenses. It was resolved to approach  
the Government on the matter.

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She is likely to arrive here on the 29th or 30th.  
Hongkong has of late also been favoured with  
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latter vessels left Bangkok on the 7th inst. and  
have been retarded during their passage by the  
strong North East monsoon accompanied by a  
high sea. At present there are no less than  
fourteen Naval ships in harbour, and of these  
ten are British. The vessels are:—H. M. ships  
*Cressy*, *Argonaut*, *Talbot*, *Albion*, *Otter*,  
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## ARMY NOTES.

## PRESENTATION OF CHINA WAR MEDALS.

Brigadier-General Sir James Wolfe Murray,  
commanding the Bangalore districts, at the  
dismounted parade of all troops in the Garrison  
recently presented the China War Medals to  
110 N.C. officers and men of the 12th Battery,  
Royal Field Artillery, and 12 men of the  
Ammunition Column, also to Lieutenant  
Queripel, and Sergeant-Major Jones. The  
General made an appropriate speech, in the  
course of which he referred to the brave deed  
of British troops at both ends of the Empire  
namely, in China and South Africa.

## UNSATISFACTORY REPORT.

Recruiting for the Line regiments of the  
Army and the Militia for the quarter ending  
October 3rd, both in London and the provinces,  
contin



## TELEGRAMS.

## "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

## Incorporation of Tsingtau Colonial Company.

BERLIN, 14th Nov. 6.15 p.m.  
The Tsingtau Colonial Company (Colonial Gesellschaft Tsingtau), whose operations will extend throughout the great province of Shantung and possibly far beyond, has been duly incorporated.

## Morocco Disturbances.

UNFOUNDED ALARMIST REPORTS!  
The alarming reports, which have been circulated regarding disturbances in Morocco have, for the greater part, been discovered to be untrue.

(Ruter's)

## Troops for Somaliland.

LONDON, November 13th.  
The Central African troops have left Blantyre for Somaliland.

## China Association Dinner.

The annual dinner of the China Association has been held in London, Admiral Seymour and Sir James Mackay being the principal guests. Mr. William Keswick, M.P., who presided, said that he believed the Mackay treaty with China was an arrangement equally advantageous to China and Great Britain.

LATER.

## Disorders in Morocco.

Owing to disorders which have broken out at Tetuan, Morocco, a Spanish mail steamer has been despatched to that port to embark the Europeans there. Three British cruisers have also gone hastily to Tetuan where a serious Kabyle rising is endangering the safety of the European residents.

## The Siberian Route.

Mr. Chamberlain, in the course of a speech, said that the Trans-Siberian route must not be overlooked in settling mail contracts.

## THEATRE ROYAL.

LIBERTY HALL.

The above piece was repeated at the Theatre Royal last evening by the A. D. C. before a very good house. Among the audience, H.E. the Governor, Sir H. A. Blake, C.M.G., Lady and Miss Blake, Sir John Keane (private Secretary to H. E.) and Captain Arbuthnot A. D. C. besides a good gathering of prominent public personages were present. The piece was well presented, and attained a greater degree of smoothness than on the previous night. Every one present voted the production of the play a success, the splendid acting of Mrs. Wade, again being a subject for general comment. During the evening the band of H.M.S. Ocean played the following selections: Overture "William Tell," Russian Selection "The Tormentor," Caryl Valse "Balsam," Czardas "Mazurka," La Czarine, "Ganne." The last production of this powerful play takes place to night and should ensure a good house.

## THE JANET WALDORF COMPANY.

INTERVIEW WITH MISS WALDORF.

This talented company, which makes its initial appearance before a Hongkong public on Monday night, the 17th instant, should have a very good house, judging by the active booking which is proceeding at Messrs. Robinson's. A representative of the *Telegraph* called on Miss Janet Waldorf yesterday afternoon, and had a delightful chat with the talented artist. Miss Waldorf besides possessing a charming personality, is a keen observer and there is little that escapes her attention. She revels in nature for, as she remarked, "We can all learn something, and find instruction even in the smallest of God's creatures." About on her tour, through India, Miss Waldorf had many interesting experiences to relate, whilst her travels through China, India, New Zealand and Australia, were replete with bright events, she delights in recounting the many pleasant scenes through which she has passed. Of her work and talent, Miss Waldorf is extremely modest, but she detailed minutely the trials incidental to the profession which, to a layman, seem unusually severe. Quick changes, new plays, transition from drama to comedy, and the hundred and one other things combine to increase the demand upon one's thoughts, feelings and hopes, all of which were vividly and "delightfully" explained. Miss Waldorf first engaged public attention about four years ago when she toured the Eastern cities of America under the direction of Mrs. A. Dow Courier. Her success was marvellous, and she soon gained for herself a unique position in the theatrical world. From the East, a tour was made, through the Central and Western States, where, at San Francisco, after a very successful season, she came over to Honolulu. From there, she crossed to Hongkong, on to India, and thence to Manila, Australia and New Zealand. After their season here, to use Miss Waldorf's words, "We return to the States, but before doing so, I trust, that my company and myself will have pleased the hospitable Hongkong public."

## CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

## THE TACHUW'S VOYAGE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."  
SIR,—In reference to your article in your last night's issue, I think the hard experiences Captain Schultze met with on his voyage from Bangkok have made him take a view of events while anchoring near Padaran Cape, worse than they really were. I venture to say that piracy, in admitting that piracy has formerly taken place, has entirely disappeared on the coast of Annam and that all provinces of that country are now peacefully administered by French authorities.

Yours &amp;c.,

ANNAMITE.

## CRICKET.

H.K. C. C. v. "A" NAVAL XI.

To-day's Hongkong Cricket Club match is against "A" Naval XI, and is not finished as we go to press.

H.K. C. C. v. H.K. F. C.

A cricket match between the Hongkong Cricket Club and the Hongkong Football Club was originally fixed for to-day, but it has been indefinitely postponed. It ought to prove a good game.

CRAIGENOWER v. CIVIL SERVICE.

On the Happy Valley Ground, a match is proceeding between the Craigenower Cricket Club and the Civil Service Cricket Club.

## TOURIST CIRCLES THE GLOBE.

HIS RETURN TO MANILA.

Mr. A. M. Easthagen, one of the popular employees in the insular auditor's office, who left the Philippine Islands in May, for a tour around the world has returned to Manila and again assumed his regular duties with the auditor.

Mr. Easthagen was the first employee to undertake to audit the accounts of the Philippines. He accepted his position in October '99 and remained with the department until last May, when he left on the *Zufro* for Hongkong visiting Canton and Shanghai. He spent some time travelling in Japan, then going to Vladivostok he took the Trans-Siberian route to Moscow making several stops on the way. Then he journeyed to St. Petersburg and Helsingfors, in Finland going from there to Stockholm, thence by steamer to Sweden, where he studied the conditions of the interior; from there to Christiania, Norway, by rail, and touching at Trondheim he went by steamer to the "Land of the Midnight Sun." He visited Hammerfest, the most northern city in the world; and then back to Christiania, by rail to Gottenberg, Sweden, Helsingfors; by steamer to Copenhagen, by rail to Kinsor and then down into Germany, stopping at Kiel, Hamburg, Berlin, Hanover, Cologne; thence to Brussels, Bruges, Ostende, and by steamer to Dover; by rail to London and Paris, where he remained ten days. Returning to Cologne, he went up the Rhine to Mayance, in Spuherin Germany, and to Nuremberg and Vienna.

## BLASTED WA SHING'S HOPES.

Ah Ching was employed by Wa Shing, a tailor at 122 Calle Real Wallied City. Wa Shing after many months of making clothes, for Americans and others who threw their patronage his way, succeeded in accumulating the sum of \$160 gold. According to the *Manilla Cable News*, the dream of Wa's life was to return to a little almond-eyed girl who had captured his heart in Canton.

Wa had worked hard. During the Chinese New Year celebration he failed to indulge in pickled goose livers, bird's nest soup, chop suey and other delicacies that appeal to the gastronomic tastes of the Mongolian. He saved his money and although he may have sniffed at the viands prepared to celebrate the holiday, he resisted temptation and accumulated the necessary funds to make his future life a long dream of happiness.

Wa Shing did not smoke but Ah Chiao did. When the latter was arrested by a detective he was indulging in the seductive draughts of a bulky "eight" pill. He dreamed that Wa Shing had \$160 with which to visit the longed for shores of China, and either the opium was bad or the dream so realistic that Ah Chiao could not resist the temptation to appropriate the hard earned money.

Wa Shing was a faithful worker. Ah Chiao, on the contrary, has been tried on four occasions for petty larceny and minor offences. When Wa Shing discovered the loss of his money the Parian police were immediately notified and a detective was detailed upon the case, and it took him a very little while to pick out the guilty person.

The case was not without sensational features. A guilty conscience caused the Chinaman to seclude himself in one of the dark nooks leading to the rear of the building. The detective followed him and was met face to face by the Mongolian, armed with a meat cleaver. Thinking the cleaver was a menace to his own life, the officer drew his revolver. The Chinaman immediately fell upon the ground and attempted to cut his throat with the knife he had seized for the purpose of self-protection. The officer took the cleaver from his hands and safely landed him at the Parian station. Ah Chiao had a big cut across his throat and the knife been sharper, would doubtless have succeeded in his attempt. He will explain to-day in court, concluded the *Cable News*.

COTTAM &amp; CO. FOR TRESS'S STRAW AND FRUIT HATS.

## NEW LAUNCH SUNK.

ON MANILA TRIP.

According to the *Manilla Cable News*, of the 13th inst., the two new launches *S. de la Rama* and *J. de la Rama*, both about thirty tons each, left Hongkong about five days ago, but the latter was the only one to arrive safely. Both of the new launches were built for Mr. Felix de la Rama, well known in connection with Manila ship ping. Captain Mou, who was in charge of the *S. de la Rama* and the sister boat, reports having encountered a heavy squall en route, which resulted in the foundering of the *J. de la Rama*. The crew of the latter boat, consisting of eight Chinamen, were all saved and brought to Manila on the *S. de la Rama*.

The two small craft were built by Messrs. W. S. Bailey & Co., of Hongkong and were to be used by Mr. de la Rama for river and bay work.

## CHINESE MAGISTRATE ROBBED.

IN KWANGTUNG.

News has just reached us through Chinese sources that, on the 31st ult., whilst the Magistrate of Kweichien district was on his way with a company of about fifty soldiers to welcome Governor Wong, a new official, he was suddenly attacked by about fifty or sixty robbers. A sharp fusillade ensued, resulting in the Magistrate losing several soldiers and ten wounded. A large sum of money was captured by the robbers. After the incident, the Magistrate, fearing another attack repaired to his yamen.

## RICE EXPORTS FROM WUHU.

OFFICIAL REPORTS ADVANCING PRICES AND FAMINE IMMINENT.

Chang Chih Tung finds awaiting him at Nanking a report on rice exports from Wuhu which will doubtless receive his prompt attention, says the *Shanghai Times*. The report comes from a military officer sent by Liu Kun Yih to look into the complaints of deliberate wholesale violations at that port of the prohibition of rice exports.

The situation at Wuhu, he says, has become very grave. There are at this time five ships engaged in taking away rice. In the last month 1,454,632 piculs of rice were exported. He recommends that vigorous measures be taken to check further export, for the loss has already advanced prices beyond the reach of the poor and widespread famine is threatened.

## SAIGON AND ITS DOCKS.

*L'Opinion* of Saigon has a long leader dealing with the need of increased dock accommodation there. It appears that at present there are two docks of 32m. and 30m 50 respectively, for small vessels, and one of 152m which though large, is insufficient for ships of the size of the M.M. boats to enter. It is contended that these are not sufficient for a port of the size of Saigon. Besides the docks actually belong to the naval department, and the merchant ships cannot be admitted without the permission of the "directeur de l'arsenal." Such is the situation after an occupation of 40 years says the writer. "The *Comite d'Colonies* could not plead lack of money for it had plenty, and it was supplying to see the easy way in which public funds were disposed of. Siam, the guides tell one, is the Paris of the East, but if instead of building theatres and monuments, money were expended on useful public works it would be better. Quays, harbours, and graving docks are the commercial enterprises which pay, and their construction is not therefore the unproductive locking up of capital. People in Saigon complain that ships are leaving the port when at Singapore they have repairing materials, graving docks, quays, harbours, and cheap coal. Although Saigon cannot hope to ever attract the big ocean liners for their course to China she can expect that smaller ships will call if facilities are provided and will take away the agricultural and industrial products of the rapidly developing interior and thus in time any outlay on the port will be well repaid.

## THE STRAITS CURRENCY.

THE COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY.

Dated 5th inst. a Ruter's wire to the *Straits Times* says:—  
A Colonial Office committee has been appointed to consider the question of establishing a gold standard currency in the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States. The committee is composed as follows:—David Barbour, Mr. William Adamson, C.M.G., and Messrs. Johnson and Blain of the Colonial Office and Treasury respectively. The first meeting of the committee will be held early this month.

Commenting on the news the paper states:—The chairman of the committee is probably the ablest living expert in matters of this sort. Sir David Miller Barbour, K.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., was a member of the Royal Commission on Gold and Silver, 1886; a member of the Council of the Governor-General of India, 1887-93; of the Council of Financial Relations of Great Britain and Ireland 1893; Member of the Royal Council on Sugar-Growing Colonies of the West Indies, 1897 and of Indian Currency Committee, 1898; and Chairman of Committee on the Currency of the West African Colonies, 1899. Mr. William Adamson, C.M.G., whose long experience, and great knowledge of the Straits, has made his name in the household word in the Colony, is a gentleman who will be able to speak of what he has learned on the spot, and of what he has experienced as a merchant dealing with these parts for a great number of years, and he should be of the greatest assistance in advising the Committee. Mr. G. W. Johnston, M.A., has been employed in the office of the Secretary of State for the Colonies since 1881. He was secretary to the East India Currency Committee in 1893, and was appointed assistant private secretary to Mr. Chamberlain in 1896. He was a first class clerk in 1897, and acting principal clerk in July, 1900. Of Mr. Blain we have no record, but he is in all probability an official of the Treasury who will bring to bear on the question a knowledge and skill which his service in the Treasury has led him to acquire. It is to be hoped that the Colony in investigating this great question, the committee will undertake its task none too soon; and in this connection it is gratifying to note that the investigations are to commence at once. The committee will not have sat in vain if it is able to bring about some alleviation of the present straits; but it is a much more desirable thing that the committee shall be able to recommend some course which will not only alleviate the position, but settle the question once and for all.

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## Commercial.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

There is very little doing in the Share Market, and consequently there is nothing much to report. Small sales of HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKS have been made at \$630, and are wanted; but there is no inclination from sellers to part with their shares. A small parcel of HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCKS has been placed at \$217, and there are sellers at this rate. INDO-CHINA have changed hands at \$101 and \$102, with sellers at latter quotation. HONGKONG HOTELS are wanted at \$137. HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAM BOATS sold at \$37.50, and are inquired for. Small sales have been done in G. FENWICK & CO.'s shares at \$49. WEST POINT shares are in demand at \$49, and CHINA TRADERS also at \$63. There are sellers of LAND INVESTMENT shares at \$185. CHINA SUGARS are weaker with sellers at \$98. FIVE SHARES are at present neglected. There are sales of SHIELL TRANSPORTS at £1.15 and £1.17. RAUBS meet with buyers at \$6.25.

## WEEKLY SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their report dated 14th November, state:—  
Since our last report, a fair amount of business has been transacted and rates generally have maintained their position.  
The Hongkong Steam Waterboat Company, Limited, has advertised its Second Ordinary Meeting for the 25th November. The transfer books will be closed from the 20th to 25th instant, both days inclusive.  
Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have been negotiated to a limited extent at \$630, and close steady. The London quotation is £64 10/-, Nationals are unchanged.  
Marine Insurances.—Unions are inquired for at \$600, after sales at the price. China Traders are in good demand at \$63. The Company will pay a dividend of \$4 per share. Cantoners are to be had at \$167.  
Fire Insurances.—Quotations for stocks under this heading are unaltered and we have heard of no business. Owing to the uncertainty of the water supply, the local Fire Insurance Association has decided to increase the tariff rates by 25 per cent. for one year from this date.

Shipping.—Sales of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have again been effected at \$371 and more shares can be bought at the price. INDO-CHINA have been fixed at hardening rates up to \$103, at which figure, however, there are further sellers. Douglas Steamships have inquiries at \$111, and China and Manilla remain fixed at \$26. Star Ferries have been placed at \$23 and \$13 for the old and new share, respectively. Shell Transports have changed hands at \$115 and are in further request.  
Refineries.—China Sugars have declined and are obtainable at \$99. Unions are unchanged.  
Mining.—Unions are on offer at \$11. Raubs have been the medium of a fair business at \$61, and can now probably be sold at \$61. Let us have sellers at \$11. Chinese Engineering are to be had at \$18.10.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have again changed hands at \$117 and are still offering. Farnhams have been done at \$11.20. Kowloon Wharves have again been sold at \$90. Business in Hongkong Wharves has taken place at \$13.30.  
Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hongkong Lands have weakened and a few shares are in the market at \$187. Kowloon Lands are wanted at \$13. Shanghai Lands have improved to \$12.125 and a 6 in request at the figure. Hongkong Hotels have also advanced and have been dealt in at \$137 closing with further inquiries at the rate. Humphreys Estates have been booked at \$123, and China Providents at \$10, but there are further sellers for both stocks at these prices.  
Cotton Mills.—Laou-Kung-Mows have found buyers at \$13.30. Hongkong Cottons are inquired for at \$17.  
Cigar Companies.—Sumatras are wanted at \$15.45.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements, after sales at \$21, are still offering. A. S. Watsons have changed ownership at \$153. China Borneos have been parted with at \$25. Electricies are in demand at \$13 for the old and \$64 for the new issue. Ropes are quiet and can be obtained at \$125. Geo. Fenwick's have buyers at \$19 and William Powells can be placed at \$9. Langkats have reacted and a small lot has been disposed of at \$13.30.

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## To-day's Advertisements.

ROYAL-HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

2ND CLUB RACE.

TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), 16th November.

COURSE No. 12 in New Book, i.e., Lyemun Beacon (Port), Cust Rocks Buoy (Port), Lyemun Beacon (Port), 12 miles.

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